



DENVER
THE MILE HIGH CITY

Experience Denver

Sweet Adeline's

November 4-6, 2012

Explore the beautiful and unspoiled scenery of Denver and surrounding areas. Learn about the states 'Mile High' Capital City and its historical significance. Enjoy an amazing experience to the top of the world as we view Colorado from the top of Pikes Peak, resting over 14,000 feet. Step inside a postcard at The Garden of the Gods to view paradise in one magical stop with its towering sandstone rock formations against a backdrop of snow-capped Pikes Peak and brilliant blue skies. Celebrate your evenings in tradition Western Style! Join us on this adventure only Colorado and can offer.

HIGHLIGHTS: Colorado Springs + Air Force Academy + Garden of the Gods + How Did Those Rocks Get There? + Pikes Peak Cog Rail + Morrison, CO + Red Rock Park & Amphitheatre + Buffalo Bills Museum & Cemetery + Golden, CO + MillerCoors Brewery Tour + The Fort Dining Experience & Tour + US Mint + Denver Tour + 'Mile High' Capitol Tour + Unsinkable Molly Brown + Line Dancing
Grizzly Rose for Western Dining Experience

INCLUDES: 3 Days + 5 Meals + 3 Nights Double Tree Westminster + Modern Motor Coach + Professional Step On Guide + Baggage Handling + Taxes + Gratuities (Except Driver) + Local Guide + All Sightseeing and Admission Fees

DAY 1 - Rise and Shine! We depart 7:30 a.m. from the Denver Convention Center for an amazing experience in Colorado Springs. We visit the United States Air Force Academy Visitor Center to watch a short movie highlighting the cadet academy experience. We will walk through the exhibit area that features displays on history and cadet life with specially designed kiosks to explain the academies four "pillars of excellence, and if available visit the chapel. Soaring 150 feet toward the Colorado sky, the Air Force Academy Chapel is an all-faith house of worship designed to meet the spiritual needs of cadets. It contains a separate chapel for Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Buddhist religious faiths, plus two all-faiths worship rooms. We will have time for lunch on your own before we make our journey up Pikes Peak Cog Railway. On a clear day you can see Denver, 75 miles to the north, and the Sangre de Cristo Mountains in southern Colorado, 100 miles away. The view is breathtaking at 14,110 feet above sea level, something everyone should experience! Our next stop is at the entrance of The Garden of the Gods. We'll see a film on the history of the Garden of the Gods and the Pikes Peak region of Colorado, and find out 'how those red rocks got there' before our guided tour of the Garden of the Gods, designated as a natural landmark for its outstanding

geological formations, including famous Balanced Rock.

Enjoy the evening at the Double Tree Hotel in Westminster and our lodging for 3 nights.

DAY 2 - After our bountiful breakfast we travel to Morrison, CO and the Red Rocks National Park. This mountain park is known for its very large red sandstone outcrops. Many of these rock formations within the park have names, from the mushroom-shaped Seat of Pluto to the inclined Cave of the Seven Ladders. The most visited rocks, around the amphitheater, are Creation Rock to the north, Ship Rock to the south, and Stage Rock to the east. Today we tour the amphitheater. Within the parks boundaries is a geologically formed, open-air amphitheater that is not duplicated anywhere in the world. The area of Red Rocks, originally known as the Garden of Angels, has attracted the attention of musical performers since before the turn of the century. The majestic setting of the amphitheater, along with the panoramic view of Denver, makes for a breathtaking scene. Just a short distance away we visit the Museum and Grave of Buffalo Bill on Lookout Mountain in Golden, Colorado. The Museum illustrates the life, times, and legend of William F. Cody. It includes exhibits about Buffalo

Bill's life and the Wild West shows, Indian artifacts and firearms. See Sitting Bull's bow and arrows, Buffalo Bill's show outfits, Frederick Remington's "Portrait of a Ranch Hand," and many other objects from the Old. After a short stop at Lookout Mountain, one of the larger foothills of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountain which overlooks Golden, Colorado, we descend into this historical town for exploring and lunch on your own. Founded during the Pike's Peak Gold Rush on June 16, 1859, this mining camp was originally named Golden City. It's a delightful western town and is the birthplace of Jolly Ranchers. During our time in Golden we visit the MillerCoors Company. Coors was established in 1873 and has been a strong economic force in Golden ever since. They are a big area employer and their tours bring 250,000 tourists to Golden every year. Return to the hotel to freshen up for a night out at *TheFort*. It is a full-size true replica of Bent's Fort, the first American community west of the Mississippi & rendezvous of Kit Carson & other "Mountain Men". With a scenic view of downtown Denver, The Fort's menu offers a tantalizing selection of old and new foods from the Early West. **Included Meals: Day 2 – Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 3 - This morning our step on guide will take us on a delightful journey into the past and present of the 'Mile High' city – Denver. Our first stop is at the US Mint. Tours cover both the present state of coin manufacturing as well as the history of the Mint. Learn about the craftsmanship required at all stages of the minting process, from the original designs and sculptures to the actual striking of the coins. Denver isn't just called the Mile High City, it truly is a mile high. The 13th step on the west side of the State Capitol building is 5,280 feet (1,609 m) above sea level. When visiting the capitol, you may see a resemblance to our nation's capitol, including famous street names such as Pennsylvania and Lincoln Avenue. That's because it was designed and built

with the nation's capitol in mind. The building is composed of Colorado white granite, with large pillars at each entrance supporting a ceramic style roof. Pillars along the west entrance are topped with carved stone statues. Mostly are depicting early life in Denver. The tall entrance doors are embedded with copper and glass. Each entrance landing has early 19th century light posts, which also surround the grounds. Enjoy lunch on your own before visiting *The Unsinkable Molly Brown's Home* - Denver's Heroine of the Titanic. 100 hundred years ago the fateful sinking of the famous luxury liner Titanic propelled Margaret "Molly" Brown to international fame. Join the Molly Brown House Museum in commemorating this important anniversary as we explore Mrs. Brown's role in the events surrounding this tragedy as well as Titanic's lasting legacy on maritime history. Continuing on our tour of Denver we enter the northern edge of the city the locals call "LoDo," or lower downtown, where refurbished Victorian and turn-of-the-century buildings and warehouses are home to an eclectic array of restaurants, art galleries, offices, and shops. Tonight is your night to enjoy modern western night life, dining, and line dancing at the *Grizzly Rose*. For the past six years, the Grizzly Rose has been recognized by the Academy of Country Music and the Country Music Association as one of the Top Clubs in the country. So prepare yourself for a finger lickin' boot stompin' good time.

Included Meals: Day 3 – Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 4 - After breakfast we say good –bye to Denver as we return home with many memories of the 'Mile High City.' If you choose the OPTIONAL 4th day it will include: a shuttle from the hotel for a day of shopping at the Flat Iron Crossing, an additional night of lodging and breakfast the next morning before leaving for airport.

Included Meal: Day 4 - Breakfast



Deposit per person: \$50 Final Payment: August 10, 2012
COST PER PERSON: Double \$680 Single \$930 Triple \$600 Quad \$555

Extended Optional 4th Day Available – Full Day of Shopping – not included in the price of this package. Check reservation form.

****Transfer to airport is not included in the price of any package.**